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BETHEL, MAINE, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1926.

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## BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. Frank Ordway of Gilead was in town Wednesday.

Miss Esther Tyler is home from Portland for the holidays.

Mrs. Lyman Wheeler is assisting in Miss L. M. Stearns' store.

Mr. Lester Wood is visiting relatives and friends in Monmouth, Me.

Mr. E. C. Park attended Probate Court at South Paris, Tuesday.

Mrs. Charles Bonn is the guest of relatives and friends in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Ordway of Gilead were in town a few days last week.

Mr. Harry Mason and Miss Fannie Mason were in Portland, Wednesday.

Mrs. Ua Parsons was the guest of Mrs. Harry Lyon and family Tuesday.

Special "Fireside" Chocolates, 5 lbs. for \$2.00 at Lyon's.

Miss Inez Ellwell was called to Oxford, Monday, by the death of an uncle.

Miss Dorothy Goodnow is home from Rockland where she is teaching school.

Miss Mona Martyn spent a few days in Rumford last week, the guest of Eva Chisholm.

Mrs. E. F. Bisbee is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Philbrick, at Turner, Me.

Miss Vivian Wight returned Saturday from a week's visit with friends in Boston, Mass.

Messrs. H. F. Thurston, H. D. Thurston and F. L. Edwards were in Portland, Tuesday.

Mr. W. J. Kelley of New Gloucester, Me., was in town Sunday to see his daughter, Lillian.

Messrs. W. C. Bryant and Myron Bryant have installed Frigidaire coolers in their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cutler of Farmington, Me., are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dutt.

News has been received in town of the death of Mrs. Bessie Hansmann a summer resident in Mayville.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler and daughter, Myra, called on Mr. and Mrs. George Haggard recently.

Mrs. Estrella Goodridge of West Bethel was the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. J. Robertson and family, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Egan have recently returned from a two weeks visit to Massachusetts and New York.

Miss Marion Frost is visiting her father, A. C. Frost, and sister, Doris Frost, during the holiday recess.

Schools in town closed Friday and the teachers have returned to their homes for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Marjell Park, who is teaching in Washington, D. C., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Park.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Wight and Mr. F. L. Edwards were in Gorham, N. H. last Friday to attend the funeral of Mr. Earl Wight.

Mrs. Rooney and daughter of Berlin, N. H., were in town the first of the week, guests of Mrs. True Eames and other relatives.

Mr. Fred Wheeler is moving part of his household goods to South Paris where he will serve as jailer at the County Jail, commencing his duties on Jan. 1, 1927.

Mrs. Martin W. Bringham, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. E. T. Tidwell, and brothers, H. M. and A. D. Forbes, has returned to her home in Vermilion, Ohio.

Among the students home from the various schools for the Christmas vacation are: Frank Keniston, Dartmouth; Clarence Philbrick, Norwich University; Kenneth Stanley, U. of M.; Ruth Hastings and Dorothy Hanson, Bates; Elizabeth Mason, U. of M.; William Chapman, U. of M.; Guy Thurston, U. of M.; Glyndon Smith, School of Pharmacy, Boston; Ernest Moody, Colby; Ethel Caper, Cornell; Garard Haines, Bates; Roy Davis, Bowdoin; Allen Maudt, Simmons.

## HASTINGS-BICKFORD

Mr. Robert D. Hastings of Bethel and Mrs. Florence A. Bickford of Bowdoin were united in marriage at 83 Western Promenade, Auburn, Saturday at high noon.

They were attended by the parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bickford. The double ring service was used and Rev. W. C. Curtis officiated.

Mr. Hastings received his education at Gould Academy and the University of Maine. He is one of the selectmen of Bethel. Mrs. Hastings is a graduate of Bowdoin High School and Gorham Normal School, and for a few years past has been a successful teacher in Haverhill and Augusta.

Immediately after the ceremony they departed for Massachusetts. Christmas day will be spent at the home of the bride, and they will be at home to their many friends at the George Hastings home in East Bethel early in the New Year.

Mr. Elmer Bennett was in Portland over the week end.

Miss Alfred Wheeler is home from Montpelier, Vt., for the holidays.

The stores in town will be open Friday evening and closed Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sessions of Albion's Mills were in town Saturday.

Those delicious McDonald's Chocolates are sold exclusively by Lyon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson were week end guests of relatives in Oakland.

W. B. Wight & Sons of Newry loaded a carload of ash at the Bethel depot Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swan are home from La Loutre, Canada, for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. R. E. Crockett has been appointed to sell and service RCA Radiolas and accessories.

Mr. Myron Bryant of Hallowell, N. J., was in town to attend the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. H. H. Annas.

Mr. G. E. Brackett of Westbrook, Me., was in town to attend the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. H. H. Annas.

Saturday and Sunday were the coldest days of the season, thermometers registering from the zero mark to 17 below in different sections of the town.

Mrs. Elsie Annas Potter of Woodford, Me., was called home last week by the death of her mother, Mrs. H. H. Annas.

Carpenters are busy making alterations in the store formerly occupied by Young's Variety Store on Main Street. This store will soon be occupied by one of the first National chain stores.

Miss Madeline Herrick, who is employed at H. S. Greenleaf's, is visiting her parents in Greenwood. Miss Marion Jordan of West Bethel is employed there during her absence.

McDonald's Chocolates are put up in attractive boxes, a beautiful view with each box. Something that the recipient will remember after the delicious sweets are gone. At Lyon's.

Wesley Bethel Lodge held its regular meeting the 22nd and a very enjoyable evening was spent. A Christmas bag was enjoyed after which the members and cake were served by the Ladies Aid.

Grand Mrs. Marion Frost gave a reading, "The First Christmas," and Mrs. Mary Achenbach rendered a solo with Mrs. F. E. Haxell at the piano.

**NOTICE—Building and ailing are prohibited on all village sidewalks with the exception of High and Main Streets.**

Per Order

E. F. HUBBEE,  
P. E. VAN,  
H. G. HUBBEE,  
Assessors Bethel Village Corporation

## NORTH PARIS

Mrs. M. Beatrice Andrews is at home for the Christmas vacation from her school in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. William Littlehale attended the State Grange in Lewiston last week.

People are still going with water around here.

There will be a Christmas tree and exercises at Community Hall Friday evening.

Wax paper is sold at the Citizen's for 40c.

## THE J. E. JONES LETTER

### CHURCH CURIOS

Washington always has a church for the curious seekers. In different administrations it has been the Dutch Reformed, Unitarian and Presbyterian, now it is Congregational.

All of these denominations have had their periods of prosperity, when as the "President's Church," the visitors to Washington have flocked to see the President on Sunday mornings.

The First Congregational Church is attended by the Coolidges and because they go there a great many hundred other people go to see them, and the result is that the standing room only is usually hung out.

There's only one denomination in Washington with housing capacity great enough for the "President's Church," and if Al Smith should be the successor of Calvin Coolidge the Catholics may be depended upon to provide seating capacity for all comers.

CHRISTIANIZING THE MOVIES

The President's Church has joined the procession of metropolitan churches that have turned to the movies to brighten up the corner for the Sunday night services. Historical, educational and religious films are being employed in many of the foremost city churches, and in some cases the religious gatherings of Sunday evening have been turned into "the family hour," for parents and children. Many of the most progressive preachers are enthusiastic for this innovation, and they have supplemented it by arranging for a supper to be served in the church parlor rooms preceding the evening movie.

### REPUBLICAN APPREHENSION

They are as thick as birds in a nest in the Senate these days. Two years ago Senators La Follette and Ladd, now deceased, and Senators Brookhart andrazier were not allowed to remain inside the Republican reservation. But there has been a new realignment, and as a result Senator Lynn Frazier of North Dakota, has been restored to his seniority rights in the present Senate. He will head the Committee on Indian Affairs. Senator Shipstead, the Minnesota independent, has been taken into the Republican fold and his help will be welcome in organizing the Senate in the Seventieth Congress. Senator Norris of Nebraska, who inherits the post of all, is to be head of the great Judiciary Committee. Senator McNary of Oregon, succeeds Mr. Norris as the new Chairman of the Agricultural Committee. Senator Borah will retain his present command of the Foreign Relations Committee. Senator Nye will share with Frazier in the control of North Dakota patronage and both will be as good as they know how. When the breakthru returns to the Senate from Iowa in March he will find the whole flag of trees hanging over his door. All the other Republican independents, including Maine of Wisconsin, will be shown the "welcome" on the Republican doormat. It takes every one of these Republicans, with all their various stripes, to command votes enough to organize the Senate. The application has been handed out very generously, many electioneers since former President Harding declared that it was a "failure." One of them calls it a "house failure," and says that "whatever he succeeded by Democrats. That would be tough talk, indeed!

### EDUCATING THE TIN CANNER

Statistics of automobile travel show that twelve million Americans go on their cars each year and camp in the roadside, where they have had to change of their home lives and "see the lights" in the great times, and that it will be as vigorously urged as was the movement which brought this institution into existence. In the success of the cause and can be seen in the statistics.

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### TAX REVISION ABANDONED

The Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives has turned down all proposals for tax revision by the Congress. There is a surplus of \$385,000,000 for 1927, as predicted by the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Republicans want it used to reduce the National debt. But the all-

## PIANO AND VIOLIN RECITAL

The piano and violin pupils of Mrs. Emma Young gave a recital at her home on Main Street Thursday evening, Dec. 16, at eight o'clock. Many of the friends and parents of the children gathered to hear their selections. The children rendered their solos in a pleasing and graceful manner. Mrs. Young spent untiring effort in trying to give to each pupil the confidence necessary to present his part in a manner creditable to both the pupils and teacher.

Following is the program:

In Venice, Fritz Spindler  
Berlin Dolly, George L. Spaulding  
Pauline Lallue  
The Lonesome Oak, Roger Woodrow  
The Talking Doll, Anna Priscilla Risher  
Ruby Jodrey  
Maybells, Paul Duclue  
Silver Chimes, Paul Duclue  
Daniel Wight  
Flower Song, Gustave Lange  
The Spinning Song, A. Ellenreich  
Sylvia Merrill  
Piano Duett, The Lotus Flower, Leinecke  
Josephine Thurston, Mrs. Young  
Little Rondo, Martin  
The Bohemian, R. D. DeReet  
Kathryn Brink  
Lullaby, Martin  
Josephine Thurston  
Hearts and Flowers, Tobani  
Simple Confession, Thome  
Barbara Herrick  
Don Juan, Minnet, Maxari  
Dramatic, P. Liehner  
Mary Thurston  
Violin Duett, Head Girl's Dream  
Barbara Herrick, Mrs. Young

## INDIAN LUCK

Will Rogers was in Washington the other day and in talking to Speaker Longworth about the progress of the Indians, he said he had just returned from Oklahoma, "where the roads are full of Cherokee Indians in Rolls Royces." "You know," he told Nick, "we gave the Indians the poorest part of the country and they struck oil. When the oil gives out, they'll find American clown and no fester of all times has produced more 'wise cracks'."

## THE BASIC TROUBLE

The Senatorial spotlight has been turned upon the scandals in several States from which have emerged new Senators whose legs are all covered with over with dollar marks. In nearly every instance the alleged improper use of money has been in the primaries. The spirit and purpose of the primary law has been flagrantly violated in Pennsylvania and Illinois, declared Senator Bill of the State of Washington, in a recent speech, in which he said that "those who led the movement for the adoption of the three primary some years ago believed that a world and that practice, to command votes enough to organize the Senate. The application has been handed out very generously, many electioneers since former President Harding declared that it was a 'failure.' One of them calls it a 'house failure,' and says that 'whatever he succeeded by Democrats. That would be tough talk, indeed!

## TRAIN SCHEDULE

The following is the schedule of trains leaving Bethel:

Trains for Portland leave at 8:35 A. M. and 4:40 P. M.

Trains for Montreal leave at 10:17 A. M. and 8:33 P. M.

Sunday service to go follows:

Trains for Portland leave at 8:35 A. M. and 5:27 P. M.

Trains for Island Pond leave at 11:49 A. M. and 8:33 P. M.

## BETHEL NATIONAL BANK

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of said bank in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday, January 11, 1927, at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any business that may legally come before said meeting.

ELMER C. PARK, Cashier.

Bethel, Maine, Dec. 1, 1926.

## J. M. HARRINGTON APPOINTED DEPUTY IN BETHEL

Sheriff Frothingham has appointed John M. Harrington as deputy sheriff in Bethel.

Mr. Harrington is employed as manager of the J. B. Ham Co. grain store where he has won many friends by his genial disposition and obliging ways. He is a graduate of Gould Academy, a member of Bethel Lodge, F. & A. M., Sandbury Lodge, K. of P., and the American Legion.

## ANDOVER-FARM BUILDINGS DESTROYED BY FIRE

The farm buildings of Frank Langevin of South Andover were burned to the ground early Friday morning by a fire which is thought to have caught from a defective chimney. Twenty tons of hay, 400 bushels of potatoes and part of the furniture were burned. The hen house, wagon shed and machinery for planting potatoes, live stock and some of the furniture were saved. The fire company and neighbors worked with the temperature below zero and Mr. Langevin sustained a badly burned arm while trying to save his property. There was an insurance.

## SCHOOL NEWS

The West Bethel grammar and primary schools observed Christmas by holding exercises in the hall after which the gifts were distributed and dancing was enjoyed.

## PROGRAM

A Christmas Welcome, Donald Luxton  
My Best, Jessie Brooks  
Birth of Christ (Tableau), Russell Burris  
Animal Christmas, Arthur Gilbert  
A Christmas Wish, Margaret Brooks  
Christmas Eve, Eugene Cushing  
The Reason, Miss Bertha Mundt, assisted by Alice Hamlin and Christine Farrell, acted as leader. Christmas carols, readings and tableaux made up an impressive little program.

A True Christmas Gift, One Act Play  
Grandfather Baxter, Frederic Scribner  
Grandmother Baxter, Kathryn Lowell  
Father Baxter, Robert Jordan  
Mother Baxter, Esther Baris  
Peggy Baxter, Ruby Bennett  
Bobby, Alfred Taylor  
Nitty's Present, Phyllis Bennett  
Jolly Old Santa Claus, Robert Whitman

A Christmas Surprise, Rosaline Merrill  
Now's the Time for Clipping, George Gilbert  
Johnny's History Lesson, Eldon Adams  
Song, It's Time Upon a Midnight Clear, School  
Gifts and Needs, Chester Wheeler  
Dialogue, What does Christmas Mean, Our Flag, Patterns, Amy Lowell, Katherine Russell  
At the Cross Roads, Wellman, Madeline Brink  
Our Aborigines, Charles Freeman  
The Man of the People, Elmin Markham  
Young Fellow My Lad, Robert Service, Oscar Thompson  
Main Rob and a Job, James W. Foley, Daniel Wight  
Orchestra and Jose, O. Henry, Caroline Cushman  
Patriotism, Charles Analla  
The Man with the Hoe, Edwin Markham, Margaret Flint  
The entire program was pleasing, and was very well received by the audience. The musical numbers for the occasion were furnished by the academy orchestra and by a male chorus, both under the direction of Miss Martin.

## GRAMMAR ROOM

Those not absent during the term: Marion Harrington, Hilma Reed, Mae Campbell, Lena Greenwood, John McLeod, Elton Hines, Doris Farrar, Susan Foster, Freda Harrington. Those not tardy or excused: Lillian Harrington, Mae Goodridge, Nanette Foster, Freda Harrington.

## PRIMARY ROOM

Those not absent or tardy during the term: Grace Foster. Those absent but one day during the term: James Farrell, Willard Farrell, Nellie Harrington, Rodney Henry, Ed Ward Hall.

## Christmas was observed in the village schools with appropriate programs and a Christmas tree in each room. A large number of parents and friends enjoyed the exercises.

## LIZZIE BRACKETT ANNAS

Mrs. Lizzie Brackett Annas, wife of Horace H. Annas, of Mason Street, Bethel, passed away very suddenly Friday morning at about 9:30.

Although Mrs. Annas has been in failing health for some time, she had been able to attend to her household duties and be out some, and her death so unexpectedly was a great shock to her many friends.

Mrs. Annas was born in Harrison, Maine, Aug. 29, 1850, where her girlhood was spent. She received her education in the schools of that town and was graduated from Gorham Normal School.

In March, 1895, she was united in marriage with Horace H. Annas of Bethel and the greater part of her married life has been spent in Bethel. She was a member of the Methodist Church and was actively engaged in the several branches of the church work in which she was deeply interested as long as health permitted. She was also a member of Bethel Grange and interested in its welfare, although taking no active part for several years.

Besides her husband she is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Elsie Annas Potter of Portland, and one brother, G. E. Brackett of Westbrook.

Funeral services were held from her late home Monday afternoon and were largely attended. Rev. Chester B. Oliver spoke comforting words to the bereaved ones.

The remains were placed in the tomb at Woodland Cemetery.

## GOULD ACADEMY NOTES

School closed on Friday, to re-open on Monday, January third.

A pretty little Christmas service was conducted by the Girl Reserves at the chapel exercises on Thursday morning. Miss Bertha Mundt, assisted by Alice Hamlin and Christine Farrell, acted as leader. Christmas carols, readings and tableaux made up an impressive little program.

The Christmas tree at the Students' Home on Wednesday evening was the cause of much merriment for the teachers and students who reside in the dormitories. The ten-cent gifts were chosen with care and the recipient of each was asked by Santa (Mr. Ayer) to read the lines which accompanied his gift. Needless to say there was some wonderful poetic talent revealed.

## Last Thursday afternoon, the students chosen to give public declamations presented the following selections under the direction of Miss Sexton.

Mark Antony's Funeral Oration, Shakespeare, Allen French  
As in the Looking Glass, Dinkelspiel, Rachel Beaton  
Our Flag, Earl Bryant  
Katherine Russell  
Madeline Brink  
Charles Freeman  
Elmin Markham  
Robert Service, Oscar Thompson  
James W. Foley, Daniel Wight  
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## JUNIORS 27—SENIORS 6

The Juniors and Seniors played Wednesday afternoon. It was rather a one-sided game, the Juniors playing rings around the Seniors. Adams started for the Juniors.

## Table

	Goals	Goals	Total
JUNIORS			
Handicap			5
Adams, Jr.	4	2	10
Gill, Jr.	2	0	10
Marshall, Jr.	1	0	2
Byrant, Jr.	0	0	0
York, Jr.	0	0	0
Gibbs, Jr.	0	0	0
Brown, Jr.	0	0	0
	10	2	57
SENIORS			
Kelly, Jr.	1	1	4
Barlow, Jr.	0	0	0
Race, Jr.	1	0	2
Stearns, Jr.	0	0	0
Clark, Jr.	0	1	1
	2	2	6
Senior Hamlin, Referee Kennedy.			
Time 4:25.			



# KENYA and ITS PEOPLE



One of the Natives of Kenya.

Efforted by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.

THE first link of the proposed British air service from Cairo to the Cape of Good Hope in Africa will soon be established with the beginning of an airplane line from Khartoum to the Sudan to Kenya in Kenya colony. Kenya is on Lake Victoria, the "Lake Superior" of Africa.

Kenya, which will thus be brought into much closer touch with England, is one of the most fascinating regions of Africa, geographically speaking. It presents a relatively new name to world maps, for before the World War it was known as British East Africa.

At the southeast corner of Kenya is Lake Victoria, second largest freshwater lake in the world. Along its shores dwell a people whose unity is a symbol of their modesty, and whose men are as beautifully formed specimens of their sex as are the Maasai women of their.

Just across Kenya's southern border is Kilimanjaro, highest mountain in Africa, and near its center is Kenya peak, also volcanic, which overlooks Mount Whitney by some 2000 feet.

Crisscrossing the colony is the famous Rift valley, here from 20 to 40 miles wide, and generally several thousand feet below the plateau's general level.

However, it is as a zoo and a permanent botanical garden that Kenya makes its chief appeal to the nature-loving traveler. Perhaps its most amazing single spectacle is the "hunting" on the northern shores of Lake Hamar. The banks are dazzling white with the birds' guano, their nests are mounds of mud spread like wide bills on a flat plain.

The adult bird has a scowling neck and body, the back is purple and scarlet, the wings feathers are crimson. Her a mile or so before she reaches her nest she can leave three birds in the air and the wish of a million or so becomes tumultuous as he approaches.

Hyperbolic tales to the shallow waters of this bay, and the low island in the center. In part, Kenya, to the terms of the 1914 London conference, which made Kenya, Italy and India have for railway shipment to the coast.

Government of the Colony.

A few years ago Great Britain had no considerable racial problem on her lands in Kenya, but the matter has now apparently been complicated. The native population numbers about 1,000,000 and there are in all 100,000 of European origin, East Indians and Arabs.

From the time when British rule was made itself felt in East Africa, during the last quarter of the nineteenth century, until 1900, the British East Africa was a province, a form of government which the British empire gradually makes use of when there is practically no white population other than the administrative officials. Under this system there was scarcely any popular place to the government, affairs were administered for the most part as the crown's subjects. A few years later popular institutions were made in 1900 when executive and legislative councils were established.

By 1905 the white population had grown to the point (nearly 100,000) that it demanded greater governmental guarantees. Provision was made for the white settlers to elect 10 members to the legislative council. Two were appointed to represent the East Indian population, and one to represent the Arabs. A subsequent member of each race was then appointed to the council. The first step of creating the present British crown colony from the old province was made July 23, 1912, when Kenya colony came into existence.

The white settlers from India and their descendants, who outnumber the European ones to one, were dissatisfied with their small representation on the legislative council and demanded equal suffrage. There also existed the background question of what part of any of the numerous black native residents of the colony should take

eventually in the management of affairs. The whites of Kenya and of the much more important Union of South Africa asserted that if Great Britain abandoned the principle that her people have the obligation to maintain her institutions among the less advanced peoples of her colonies, it would mean the death of the British empire and of the civilization which she has developed in Asia and Africa.

People of Many Races.

The land which is now Kenya colony has had its mixture of races for a long time. Phoenicians, Arabs, Indians, even Chinese, skirted its coasts in very early times and traded with its natives. Later the Arabs came in numbers; and now there is a population of about 10,000 of them in addition to a large number of people of mixed Arab and black blood. The Indians began to go to this region before British influence began, and now number some 25,000.

Of the blacks there are numerous tribes. The Kikuyu belong to the Nilotic race group. The Swahilis are the hybrid people formed by the union of Arabs with the Somalia and Galla. There is also the Hamitic-speaking population, many of whom dwell in the regions around Mount Kenya, which was for a time believed to lie in the fabled regions of the "Mountains of the Moon," as well as more of the Nilotic group, consisting of the Maasi, the Nandi and others.

Though Kenya calls itself the newest of the British colonies, it is one of the oldest lands of the earth. Colonel Hanningham, in speaking of his African hunting trip, said that the Maasi often reminded him of the pictures of the soldiers of Thutmose and Harmer made by the ancient Egyptian sculptors, in that their faces were round and had clear-cut features. The same noted traveler said of this tribe that though the women were scrupulously clothed, "the husbands were very ostentatiously wear no clothing for purposes of decency."

Reports concerning this particular people have constantly made their appearance in the civilized world because they persistently pillaged neighboring tribes, having decided that they no longer cared to till their own fields, but would get their subsistence by taking the cattle and supplies of weaker tribes, and in this way have been responsible for the depopulation of large districts of British East Africa. Today, however, they are doing excellent work in cultivating the soil.

The greater portion of the Maasi live in the districts around Nairobi. They have perhaps the most delicate features of any of the East African tribes, paying to two parts, one black and brown-skinned and the other red and white, but they believe that when they die, they go out like a jet.

Women Who Wear Tails.

Though the Maasi are the most numerous of the tribes in Kenya, they are not the most advanced. The women wear tails and white wraps. The women add one other decoration, a tail like that suspended from the waistline in the rear.

Sparsely populated as a region where the altitude offsets the equatorial heat and the fertile tracts farming is done largely by these Maasi. Their former livelihood was gained principally by raids on their neighbors. Many of them have settled down to tilling the soil.

Another native tribe, the Ambakas, formerly lived largely upon each of the volcanic cones. The skin has a market value because of its silky texture and white hair and the tail with an ornate fringe. The tail is used as a sword, too, inserted in the soil as the Maasi impose restrictions on women by killing to save the animals from extinction.

The Maasi, though they are one of the most important tribes politically as well as numerically, take great pride in their past. They say that they once had a sacred book, like the Bible or the Koran, but a cow ate it, and not being certain about the particular animal, in their search they are still awaiting the approach of a cow that does

## THE KITCHEN CABINET

(No. 1524, Western Newspaper Union.)

There is a time in every man's education when he arrives at the conviction that envy is ignorance; that imitation is suicide; that no kernel of nourishing corn can come to him but through his toil bestowed on that plot of ground which is given him to till.

—Emerson.

### SOME SANDWICHES

The hot sandwiches are always enjoyed on a cold night and one may serve a variety of them.

**Toasted Cheese Sandwiches.**—Cut white bread one-fourth of an inch thick, spread with mustard butter and sprinkle thickly with cheese finely grated. Cover with buttered slices, press together and arrange on a wire toaster. Toast a delicate brown on both sides. Serve with cocoa, tea or coffee.

Here is one that will do for a dessert:

**Sunshine Cake Sandwiches.**—Bake a sunshine cake in an eight by twelve pan and when cold cut into three-inch squares. Split and spread half the squares with the following: Drain free from syrup one can of peeled apricots, press the pulp through a sieve (there should be a cupful of pulp), add one cupful of sugar, the juice of half a lemon, or one half an orange, and the white of one egg; beat all together until the mixture will stand. Doff one cupful of sugar and one-half cupful of water. Boil five minutes—do not stir after it begins to boil. Remove from the fire and add one-half pound of marshmallows cut into quarters and heat until melted. Serve at once with the same.

**Turkey Sandwiches.**—Melt four tablespoons of butter in a saucepan. Add four tablespoons of flour, stir until well blended, add a cupful of milk and cream. Season with salt and pepper, celery salt, and one-half cupful of mushrooms, one-half cupful of chopped turkey, and two cupfuls of minced celery. Pour over the toasted slices of bread. Cover with a thin layer of creamed turkey, season and garnish with two stalks of celery for each portion.

**Marshmallow Tea Sandwiches.**—Brush the sugar from the marshmallows and place them on vanilla wafers, set into a hot oven until plump and soft, remove at once and place another water on top of the marshmallows, press lightly and serve at once.

**Anchovy and Cottage Cheese Sandwiches.**—To one cupful of cottage cheese add two tablespoons of anchovy essence, one-half teaspoonful of paprika and a tablespoon each of finely chopped chives and parsley; season to taste with salt and onion, with mayonnaise. Spread between slices of rye bread spread with the dressing. Garnish with new onions and serve with coffee.

**Tasty Things to Eat.**

Salads are always a welcome dish for the majority of menus.

**Kidney Bean Salad.**—Take one can of beans, two cupfuls each of celery and apple diced, one cupful of chili pickles cut into bits, two tablespoons of chopped pimento with mayonnaise to moisten.

**Promises stuffed with pineapples and peanut butter.**—Arrange on a head lettuce and served with French dressing make a delightful combination.

**Veal Salad.**—Take two cupfuls of finely diced and seasoned cooked veal, add one cupful or more of finely diced celery, one or two sweet pickles finely minced, and a cupful of shredded and seeded white grapes. Mix with any good dressing and serve on lettuce.

**Salad Dressing.**—Take one teaspoonful of salt, one-half teaspoonful of mustard, three-fourths teaspoonful of sugar, one teaspoonful of flour, two and one-half tablespoons of butter, the yolk of four or two whole eggs, three-fourths of a cupful of milk and one-fourth cupful of oil. Season with vinegar. Mix the butter, add the dry ingredients well mixed together, when building hot add the milk, and when well cooked add the lemon juice which has been beaten with the eggs. Cook over hot water until smooth and thick, stirring constantly. Add cream when serving the dressing.

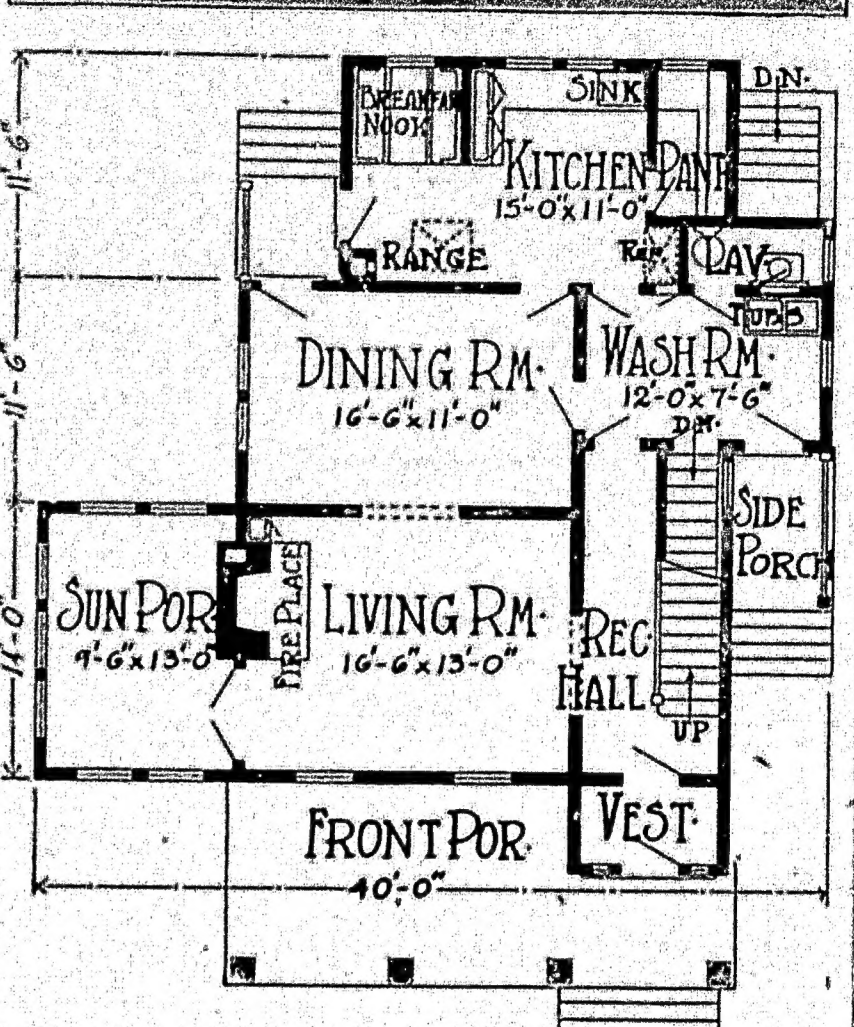
**Carrot Pudding.**—One cupful of grated carrot, one cupful of grated potato, one egg, one-half cupful of sugar, one-half cupful of shortening, one-half cupful of raisins, one teaspoonful of soda and one cupful of milk and measure. Bake one hour. Serve with an egg sauce.

**Egg Sauce.**—Beat two eggs until light, add one-half cupful of sugar and continue beating until the sugar is dissolved. Add one-half cupful each of cream and milk, a pinch of salt, flavoring to taste.

**Peach Sauce.**—Fill tall glasses with peach ice cream, add sufficient raspberry juice to color and run down through the cream. Top with whipped cream or plain vanilla ice cream and garnish with a fresh berry or cherry.

Neelie Maxwell

## Old-Fashioned Home Combined With Modern Dress and Conveniences



First Floor Plan.

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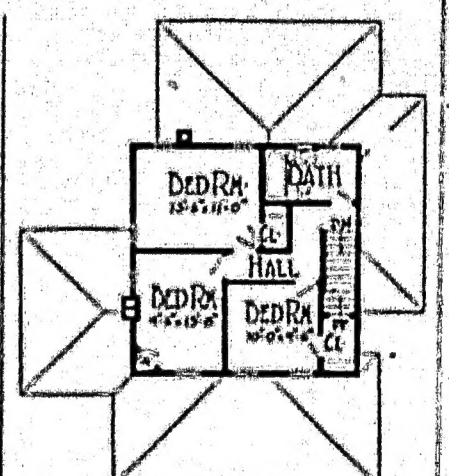
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## The DOOM TRAIL

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## PRECEDING CHAPTERS

Harry Ormerod, proscribed traitor to King George as a Stuart partisan, returning from France to London, rescues Alderman Robert Juggins from a band of assassins. Juggins proves to be the grandson of a former steward of Ormerod's father, to whom Juggins feels himself indebted. Ormerod tells Juggins he has abandoned the Stuart cause. Juggins informs Ormerod of a Jacobite plot in the American colonies to weaken England by forwarding French interests. At its head is Andrew Murray, a Scotchman, and a Frenchman, De Veulle, deadly enemy of Ormerod. The two are in London furthering their schemes.

## CHAPTER II—Continued

"He is no enemy to be slighted," I said.

"No, he thrives upon opposition; but—"

A secretary rapped for order.

"To the king's most excellent majesty in council," he recited from a document he held, "the humble petition and representation of Samuel Baker, Samuel Storke, Richard Janeway and others, merchants of London, trading to New York, in behalf of themselves and the rest of the persons concerned in the New York trade; which petition, having been considered by his majesty's council, hath been referred, with his gracious consent, to the lords commissioners for trade and plantations."

"You will note," whispered Master Juggins in my ear, "that the name of Murray is not included in the list. He appears here, not as the principal, which he is, but at the request of these merchants, who are his decoys, and ostensibly in their interest."

"You have heard the petition and reference of the council read," gabbled Pelham in whispering voice. "We will now hear arguments by the opposing sides. Who appears against the petition?"

Master Juggins rose beside me. His arguments were substantially those he had used with me, buttressed additionally by a mass of facts and statistics. When he sat down it seemed to me that no Englishman who thought of his own country's interest could resist the logic of his appeal.

There was a smattering of applause, and then a merchant introduced Murray, with the remark that he had kindly consented to give his opinion, as he had recently come on a visit to London from the province of New York, where he was in residence.

"The gentleman who preceded me," began Murray, "and who, I am told, once spent some time in our province many years ago, is unfortunately laboring under a misapprehension of the situation. It is not, my lords, as though we had the misfortune to be at war with France. Through the grace of God, the two countries have now been for some years at peace with one another, and their subjects in the New world have striven not to be behind-hand in drawing closer the bonds of trade which in themselves are the best preventative of war."

"We manufacture in this country more goods of a certain kind than we can consume ourselves. These goods are in great demand amongst the savage tribes which inhabit the interior of North America."

"Both the French and our own traders have use for these goods in the fur trade, which is growing to be of increasing worth to the London merchant."

"If we withhold from the French the goods they require for trading with these tribes they will seek them from the manufacturers of the Low Countries and Germany. Thus our merchants at home will be deprived of a profitable trade, and our provinces will not be bettered. Also, the supply of furs for the London market, much of which comes from the French ports, will be reduced. It seems to me, your lordships, that this prohibitory legislation will only have crippling effects upon trade and hinder the good relations between France and England and their colonies."

He said much more in the same vein, whilst Juggins twisted uneasily in his seat and the attending merchants and even their sleepy lordships hung upon his words. For he was a ready speaker. When he sat down the merchant who acted as speaker of ceremony caused a start of surprise, in which I joined, by bringing forward a handsomely dressed gentleman, whose tattered coat and gold-laced sword showed conspicuously in such drab surroundings.

"Twas Raoul de Veulle; yes, Raoul de Veulle, whose mad exploits and escapades, love affairs and gambling debts, had kept all Paris gossiping these past three years and had just driven him into an exile, the facts concerning which had been mysterious and secret. I had known De Veulle well."

Now he stood before us, his handsome face smiling, bowing low before the interested lordships. In charming, broken English he repeated his brief message. He had been requested by his excellency the French ambassador to appear in this matter in answer to a plea offered by the petitioners to the ambassador for corroborative testimony to the justice of their assertions from a responsible French source.

He himself—he shrugged apologetically—as it happened was Canadian-born; he was just starting upon his way to take up an appointment in the Canadian government. He agreed unhesitatingly with what Monsieur Murray had stated. On behalf of the French government and of the Canadian authorities he begged to say that such legislation as New York wished to have perpetuated would have most unhealthy effects upon the trade and politics of their two countries.

Master Juggins sprang to his feet, his honest face aflame.

"Many of the assertions of Master Murray and—"

Pelham waved him to his seat.

"We have heard enough," pronounced the whispering voice. "You have no other first-hand witnesses from overseas?"

"No, your lordships," admitted Juggins reluctantly.

"Then further talk is fruitless," he went on, while his colleagues nodded their sleepy assent. "We are agreed that there seems to be some difference of opinion concerning this measure. Were it not for the fact that his majesty's governor of New York appears to favor the bill, we should consider the case made out against it unanswerable. But in view of Governor Burnett's approval we are resolved that the matter shall be referred back to him with a request for a full report upon the issues raised, and pending the receipt of this report and a decision being reached his majesty's government will not take action in the premises. What is the next case for consideration?"

The petitioners, much gratified, doctored around Murray and his apostle servant, and I followed Master Juggins from the chamber and out into Whitehall.

"What will happen next?" I asked.

"If I know Governor Burnett as well as I think I do, Murray and his French friends will draw slight comfort from their triumph today. Remember he is three thousand miles from London and therefore able to think for himself. With you to help him—"

I felt something brush against my coat sleeve and looked around. I had just time to see the back of a gaudy red coat and a woolly black head, crowned by an ornate cocked hat, disappearing in the crowd.

"Do you see?" I said.

"Aye," responded Juggins grimly; "I might have known it. Well, 'tis a lesson in time. We will not forget it."

We turned from Whitehall into the "marched Strand."

"Murray will figure that this delay gives him time to bribe and buy his way, either in Governor Burnett's council or in the government here," continued Master Juggins. "At the worst he will think that he should be able to withstand the law's execution for several years, and in that time much may be done—aye, much may be done, and in more than one way," he concluded grimly.

"Then doubtless Murray will send at once a swift messenger to New York so that his friends may set to work in his interest," I suggested.

Juggins stopped abruptly in the center of the footway.

"No, he will go himself. 'Tis too important for trusting to another. That was well thought of by Master Harry. We must not let him get ahead of us. You must wait on the first passage available. Do you follow me?"

And he started off as fast as his legs could carry him, bumping and prodding his person against all who did not move from his path.

"Whither are we bound now?" I panted.

"To Master Lloyd's coffee house, where the shipowners resort for trade. We shall find news of the sailings there."

Many men stood on the cobbles outside Lloyd's talking. The coffee room and taproom also were filled. Master Juggins pushed his way through the shifting groups until he reached a burly, stout man who sat by himself at a table, sucking fragrant Mocha from a bowl.

"And what will you say, Bob Juggins?" demanded the burly man in a sulky voice.

"A good afternoon to you, Tom Jenkins," returned Juggins. "How are sailing to the Western Plantations?"

"America?"

"Aye, New York province."

The burly man consulted his record book.

"We ha' the ship New Venture, Abbot, master, sailing from Greenwich the end of the week. What's your cargo?"

"'Tis not cargo, but a man I would send on her."

"I fear me she's full up, Bob. But yesterday we sold four places on her—and she hath limited quarters for passengers."

Juggins threw me a humorous glance.

"'Til be bound 'tis Master Murray of New York she's to carry," he declared.

"Why, that's true," admitted Jenkins. "And some French, a friend o' his."

I forgot my role of pretence and, and shoved myself across the table.

"Not De Veulle? The Chevalier de Veulle?" I challenged him.

Jenkins looked at me with mingled amusement and indignation.

"Who's your green hat that bankers for the Frenchies so?" he asked Juggins.

"My master sent me spinning to the floor."

"Mind your place boy," he rebuked me.

Then he continued half-apologetically to Master Jenkins—

"This De Veulle put a slight upon me before the lords of trade, and the law—'tis a good youth and devoted, though fresh come out of Dorset, as you may see—was most intelligent on my behalf. And now about the passage? I'll pay well. Sure, you can always find room for an extra man on shipboard."

"What will you pay?"

"Three guineas."

"Four," countered Jenkins in a monotone tone.

Juggins drew the coins from a purse and elbowed them to the table.

"And is it De Veulle sails with Murray?"

"Aye; he goes on some government mission for 'Canada.'"

"But why does he not sail from Havre in a French ship for Quebec?"

"The St. Lawrence is frozen. There will be no French ships for 'Canada' for two months yet."

Juggins pursed his lips in that quaint gesture of a whistle which was a characteristic trait.

"They use our goods," he muttered; "they use our rivers, our trading posts, our people, the tribes which are friendly to us—and now they use our ships."

"Often," admitted Jenkins disinterestedly. "Since the Peace of Utrecht we ha' done a slight o' shipping business with the Frenchies."

"'Tis to our shame," declared Master Juggins roundly.

"Why, 'tis business," answered Jenkins with his first show of interest. "Show me a heathen, let alone a French, will pay a farthing more than an Englishman, and I'll show you a better customer. Trade is trade, leave politics to governments. If I make not my own living, will the gentry at Westminster carry my debts? I think not."

Juggins smiled with indignation.

"God help England when men like you come to rule it, Tom Jenkins," he declared. "Good afternoon to you."

"One moment," interposed Jenkins. "You ha' not given me the name of my passenger?"

"'Tis this youth here."

"He who hath the interest in the French?" responded Jenkins. "Well, ha! keep your hands off him, despite his insults to your master. And what's your name?"

"The journey to the land of America, a new life, and the promise of glorious adventure are all before the youth as the ship leaves the shores of Old England for the New world."

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## Sent to Destruction Over Niagara Falls

At least three vessels have come over Niagara falls, says the Boston Globe in reply to a query. The first was in 1827, when an old craft was sent over with a bear, a fox, a buffalo, a dog and some geese as passengers. The bear jumped from the boat before it reached the rapids, swam to the shore and was rescued. The geese went over the falls and came to the shore below alive.

Another vessel, the Detroit, that had belonged to Commodore Perry's fleet, was started over the rapids in the winter of 1811, but grounded midway in the rapids and was finally broken up by the ice.

In 1837 a burning vessel was sent down the rapids and over the falls. This was described as a most magnificent sight.

**Alamo Originally Church**

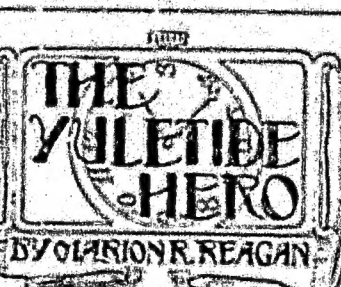
The Alamo in Texas, was a Franciscan mission built about 1722 and occasionally used after 1763 as a fort. It consisted of a church, an enclosed convent yard about 100 feet square, a convent, a hospital building and a plaza covering about two and one-half acres and protected by a wall 5 feet high and 33 inches thick.

## Snakes Shun British Isles

Like Ireland, Scotland is singularly free from snakes, while only two species are known in England.

A photograph having records of brass has been invented. The records may be heard 10,000 years from now.

## Where Old Santa Comes From



## THE YULETIDE HERO

BY OLIVION R. REAGAN

SAM HEATON decided it was high time he did something—something big. Here he was on the far side of forty, no money, no social position—for chauffeurs were little more than servants, he thought—and no wife or family. He was even in more desperate straits. He was enamored of the young widow, a woman about thirty-six, for whom he was working. He was alternately taken with fits of despair and hope about Mrs. Allan. More frequently it was despair, however, for he couldn't imagine anyone so charming and so rich as Mrs. Allan caring anything for him. But there were times when she smiled at him with special graciousness and talked to him for a longer time than was actually necessary for the transaction of the business in hand, and his hopes rose. After all many women had married their chauffeurs.

He was not bad looking. In fact he had always had a reputation for being something of a Beau Brummel. He comforted himself with the thought that there were worse men, certainly.

Christmas was approaching and he racked his brain to know how he could buy Mrs. Allan something that would really be worthy of her. He carefully gathered to- gether every cent he had in the world—sixty dollars—and bought a neat little watch he had noticed in a nearby jeweler's window.

Christmas Eve he called at the jeweler's for his purchase, put the little package safely in his pocket, and started off into the crowded street. At the corner where one was making a speech. There was an enormous number of people gathered, and it was difficult to pass. Finally Heaton reached the other side of the street, and continued his walk. He put his hand into his pocket to warm it a little and was shocked to find—could it be possible—the little package—gone! Wildly he ran back through the crowd, looking on the street for it and asking people if they had seen it. Of course it was all useless. It was merely the usual case of the Christmas time pickpocket. He was heartily angry. He must have it. It meant everything to him. Ordinarily the most honest man in the world, he was completely overcome with the desire to get back—in any way—the equivalent of what he had lost. Someone had robbed him; he would rob somebody else.

A little ahead of him he saw a well-dressed woman, her arms full of packages. Without thinking, he went straight towards her, to slip one of them. He was almost there when she turned sharply. The other man had the package in his hand. Heaton struck him in the face and a light followed, a light

## GIFTS AT CHRISTMAS

GIFTS at Christmas time were common in medieval times. Accounts tell of the chandlers' guild lending out gentils to every one a special sort of candles which were burned with the Yule log to light the houses for the coming of a supernatural visitor. Bakers also sent out "Yule cakes." Gradually the sentiment of "Peace on earth, good will to men" and the celebration of the spirit by general gifts seems to have spread through the other guilds, and finally to have become general.

In which Heaton pursued, the other trying to flee. The woman, panicky, was screaming for the police. Soon several policemen appeared and the man was caught. Heaton forgot that he, too, had been trying to rob the woman. To everyone, even to himself, his case was clearly that of the righteous man pursuing the evil.

At the police station, Heaton for the first time came face to face with the robbed woman. They both registered surprise.

"Mrs. Allan?"

"Oh, Mr. Heaton, it was you, then, who so nobly helped me. I'm so grateful!" She was weak from the excitement of the adventure and leaned comfortably on Heaton's arm.

The thief was given a preliminary hearing. Examination showed he had a whole pocketful of articles he had taken in the crowd. Among the things found was the little watch Heaton had bought for Mrs. Allan.

"I shall have the jeweler who sold me that prove it is mine," said Heaton when he saw it, "or rather yours," he added, turning to Mrs. Allan. "It was to have been your Christmas gift."

"Oh, how wonderful of you," exclaimed Mrs. Allan, her eyes showing clearly how much she thought of the gift, and more of the giver.

They say the gossip talked quite a little when some weeks later they learned that Mrs. Allan had married her chauffeur. But they say, too, that the couple were so completely happy they didn't mind the talking a bit.

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**Christmas Shopping**

"Emma, I can't see where I'm—"

"Well, how many times have I told you to have your glasses changed?"

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## Community Building

## Conditions in Alabama

Will Apply Elsewhere

In no part of this country is it easier to have beautiful gardens than it is in Mobile county, whether in the city, or in outlying districts.

The lay and general character of the land is favorable, and the season for flowers and shrubs is all the year. Nor is landscaping difficult. It is never difficult where the land rolls, or in flat areas even where the soil is right and climatic conditions are favorable to the growth of plants. All these favorable conditions are to be found in this city and county, and that is one reason why we have so many attractive gardens here.

Probably we are not making the best possible use of our exceptional natural opportunities in all cases; but gardens here have long been prime assets, and they are likely to become even more important as we make progress in beautifying plans and work. There is not a home in the city or county of Mobile that ought to be without a garden of rare beauty, for it does not take much work or great expense to keep gardens in first-class condition in this part of Alabama.

Certainly nothing adds more to the attractiveness of the home setting than a beautiful garden.—Mobile Register.

## Method of Speeding

## Up Brings Progress

"A city should first be sold to its own people," once said Mr. George C. Smith, of Baltimore, a nationally recognized authority on the industrial possibilities of a community.

Once rentiers, bankers, railroad men, department-store owners and managers tell the same consistent story about the industrial advantages of their city, the cumulative effect is certain to make itself felt.

Growing industries offer the best opportunities to a city's business progress. When a plant attains a certain capacity the directors will consider the advisability of building a branch elsewhere instead of risking the likelihood of overexpanding the old plant. Thus a city that has called on this industry with personal representation is more likely to get consideration than many other cities which have been content to circulate.

New enterprises are always possible. The man who knows a business or the man who is able to finance a business is indispensable. Such men in a city will usually solve the bulk of the problems incidental to securing new industries and developing the city's present industries.

**Roadside Markets**

There ought to be a corking good suggestion to the average thoughtful farmer in the fact that last year in this country the roadside markets of offering products to passing motorists did a business aggregating a little more than \$25,000,000. Why not more roadside markets? Why not go at the thing systematically and in a constructive way? Why not standardize roadside markets handling comprehensive and specifically advertised lines? Why not a systematic effort to please the public in place of a cunning attempt to cheat somebody by unloading inferior or impossible goods on the stranger at the gate? The filling station is bound to give good service and honest goods and honest prices. The roadside market ought to build upon standardized honesty and popularity instead of discrediting the former's roadside stand.—Lafayette Journal and Courier.

**Champion Tree Planter**

T. C. Luther of Mechanicsville, N. Y., celebrated his sixty-third birthday in an unusual celebration, because Luther is an unusual man. The record of being the champion tree planter in America was already his. But he started out on his latest birthday to break that record. He began on a program to plant a million more pine trees. President Pack of the American Tree association voiced the opinion that Luther is putting more idle land to good use than any other man in this country, and that by so doing he is setting an example to the American people by leaving a birthday present for succeeding generations to share and enjoy. It is an example that should prompt emulation in all parts of the country in which forestation on a large scale is feasible.

**Home Owners Live Longest**

Insurance companies claim to be able to show by statistics gathered over a long period of years that those who provide for comfort during declining years live longer than do those who give no thought of tomorrow.

Real estate men and bankers concur in this opinion, the former insisting that owning one's home is the best kind of insurance against devastation of health







**COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF RESIDENT OWNERS.**

**STATE OF MAINE.**

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1926.

The following list of taxes on real estate of resident owners in the Town of Bethel, aforesaid, for the year 1926, committed to me for collection for said town, on the 24th day of April, 1926, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes, with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall, in said town, on the first Monday in February, 1927, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax and Charges
Blake, Herbert O.	Homestead Farm, Land by road, Part of Cummings Farm,	\$61.80 \$16.20 \$20.00
Brooks, Geo. E.	Homestead Farm,	\$3.85
Cole, Nelson	Homestead, Milton Road,	\$6.70
Cough, Robert	Homestead Farm,	\$13.50
Hobbs, Mrs. A. C.	Homestead Farm,	\$23.50
Kendall, Warner	Wood Lot,	\$12.40
Littlefield, Horace	Lot and Barn,	\$37.10
	D. Phillips Field,	\$31.40
	Barn and Intervale,	\$29.00
	Homestead Farm,	\$12.40
Mason, Ernest	Homestead Farm,	\$36.50
Heirs of	Homestead Farm,	\$23.50
Rafick, Geo. W.	Part Robinson Land	\$12.40
Merrill, Mrs. C. C.	Part Cross Land,	\$12.40
	Homestead Farm,	\$12.40
Mills, G. B.	Mitchell Lot and Hall,	\$23.50
Newton, Sherman	Dean Homestead,	\$23.50
Osgood, Geo.	Homestead Farm,	\$35.20
Heirs of	Homestead Farm,	\$16.00
Scribner, Carrie	Homestead Farm,	\$16.00
Tyler, Ben S.	Homestead Farm,	\$22.00
Yashaw, Sadie	Cross Land,	\$1.80
	Homestead Farm,	\$23.70
Yashaw, Mrs. Mike	Homestead Farm,	\$46.60
Verrill, Fred C.		

December 21, 1926.  
LESLIE E. DAVIS,  
Tax Collector of the Town of Bethel.

**COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.**

**STATE OF MAINE.**

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1926.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Bethel, aforesaid, for the year 1926, committed to me for collection for said town on the 24th day of April, 1926, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall in said town, on the first Monday in February, 1927, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax and Charges
Day, Chas.	Homestead Farm,	\$24.00
Pegg Brothers,	Holt Lot,	\$174.00
	L. A. Hall Timber Lot,	\$29.00
	I. Wilson Land,	\$13.40
	Saunders Lot,	\$32.00
	W. C. Chapman Lot,	\$10.00
	L. P. Holt Lot,	\$13.40
	Mason Land,	\$40.00

December 21, 1926.  
LESLIE E. DAVIS,  
Tax Collector of the Town of Bethel.

**COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.**

**STATE OF MAINE.**

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Upton, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1926.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the town of Upton, aforesaid, for the year 1926, committed to me for collection for said town on the 1st day of July, 1926, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at School House in said town, on the first Monday in February, 1927, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax and Charges
Amey, Harry	One undivided half of Lot 2, Range 3, known as the Coffin Farm or L. A. Fuller Land, 85 acres,	\$27.50

December 20, 1926.  
ENOCH ABBOTT,  
Collector of Taxes, Town of Upton.

**COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.**

**STATE OF MAINE.**

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Newry, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1926.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the town of Newry, aforesaid, for the year 1926, committed to me for collection for said town on the 16th day of June, 1926, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Grange Hall in said town, on the first Monday in February, 1927, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax and Charges
Pegg Brothers,	Wild Land bought of Danton Lumber Co., 6000 acres,	\$508.50
Mason, W. W. Heirs of	Wild Land, 1200 acres,	\$302.00
Widder, Fannie, Heirs of	Homestead Farm, 100 acres,	
	Lot 1, Range 14, 70 acres,	
	Lot 2, Range 14, 100 acres,	
	Lot 3, Range 14, 100 acres,	
	Lot 4, Range 14, 50 acres,	\$120.00

December 21, 1926.  
SUSAN E. WRIGHT,  
Collector of Taxes, Town of Newry.

**COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.**

**STATE OF MAINE.**

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Bethel Village Corporation, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1926.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Bethel Village Corporation in the Town of Bethel, aforesaid, for the year 1926, committed to me for collection for said Corporation on the 1st day of June, 1926, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at Corporation Building in said Corporation, on the first Monday in February, 1927, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax and Charges
Waltham, Belle	Harris Lot,	\$27.00
	Free Lot,	\$7.00
	Orchard, 300 Hill,	\$4.00

December 21, 1926.  
DAVID M. FORDEN,  
Tax Collector, Bethel Village Corporation.

**COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.**

**STATE OF MAINE.**

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Albany, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1926.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Albany, aforesaid, for the year 1926, committed to me for collection for said town, on the fifteenth day of June, 1926, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Town House in said town, on the first Monday in February, 1927, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax and Charges
Bird, W. W.	Lot 9, Range 7, 55 acres, valued \$300.00,	\$24.67
Willard, R. P.	Lot 8, Range 5, 14 acres, valued \$100.00,	
	Lot 9, Range 5, 18 acres, valued \$200.00,	
	Lot 10, Range 4, 40 acres, valued \$200.00,	
	Lot 9, Range 3, 80 acres, valued \$100.00,	
	Lot 7, Range 7, 78 acres, valued \$1,300.00,	\$107.67

December 22, 1926.  
W. I. BECKLER,  
Collector of Taxes Town of Albany.

**CANTON**

Mrs. Viola Steisen Hathaway of Auburn passed away last week at the age of 79 years. She was born in Hartford, the daughter of Orrin and Lydia Ames Steison. She married Rodolphus Hathaway, who died several years ago. She is survived by two sons, Ellis of Auburn who lived on the home place and Oliver of Winthrop, and one daughter, Mrs. Viola H. Carver of Winthrop, also one sister, Mrs. Abbie Proctor of Canton, who was with her when she passed on. A brother, Orono Steison of Augusta passed away a few years ago. The funeral was held at Auburn Wednesday and the remains brought to Canton and placed in the family lot at Pine Woods cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Hathaway were for many years residents of Canton.

A Christmas sermon was delivered at the Universalist church, Sunday, by George Scudder of Bath and special music was given by Maria Lavergna, Jr., and Miss Aggie Sweet. Mr. Scudder gave a talk at the church Saturday evening and showed many stereoscopic views. His subject was the "Birth of Christ."

A social was held at the close of Evergreen Chapter Tuesday evening and a treat served.

Mrs. Appleton L. Hodge is seriously ill with pneumonia and her son, Morton, who has been ill with the same disease, has had a relapse and is quite ill again. Two saddle horses and a work horse have been purchased by the Richardson of Portland Camp.

John Small is at home from Carra house where he is teaching school. The college schools all enjoyed Christmas trees and programs on Friday, the closing day, and all received gifts, the teachers, superintendent and janitor all being well remembered. A treat was served each school. Miss Nelson went to Mechanic Falls and Park, and Mrs. M. C. Walter to Watona for the Christmas vacation.

The first, second, third and fourth grades have been busy the past two weeks, making pretty scrap books for the Children's Hospital at Portland. Miss Mildred Peace will spend Christmas with relatives at Solon.

William Moore, a student of Bates College, and Miss Dorothy Moore, who attends Westbrook Seminary, are at home for a two weeks' vacation. Nathaniel Thomas and family will go to Peru this week to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. A. G. Walker and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Forhan have returned from a visit with his son in Hartford, Conn.

Miss Elsie Havenport of Auburn is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Elsie Havenport and cousin, Mrs. Wilma Richard and.

Miss Evelyn Walker, who is attending Log Hill Business College, is at home for the holiday vacation.

Supt. Ray Robinson will spend Christmas at his home in Warren.

Miss Elsie Hall is at home from Bates College for the holiday recess.

Mrs. Elvyn Strout of Millbridge is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. John Holland, and family.

John Tripp has been visiting for a while in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon L. Newton and Mrs. Arthur Hines attended the funeral of Mrs. Walter Stockbridge at Dixfield. A Farm Bureau meeting was held at the town hall, Friday. The subject was "apple cankers" and each member brought an apple dish for each one to test.

Mrs. Elsie Cole left for Marblehead, Mass., Thursday, to visit her son, Floyd Cole, and family.

Arthur Robinson of Portland has been a guest of A. S. Heknell and family.

Mrs. S. L. Wadlin has returned home from Hingham, Mass., leaving her sister, Mrs. Pagen Smith, who has returned from the hospital, improving in health.

Public Health workers in Maine and throughout New England are especially interested in tuberculosis prevention work as conducted by volunteer health organizations. Will be interested in the announcement made concerning the New England Institute for Tuberculosis Workers which will open at the Harvard School of Public Health on Monday, January 31st.

The announcement was made by Walter D. Thurber, Executive Secretary of the Maine Public Health Association and President of the New England Conference on Tuberculosis.

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## THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN

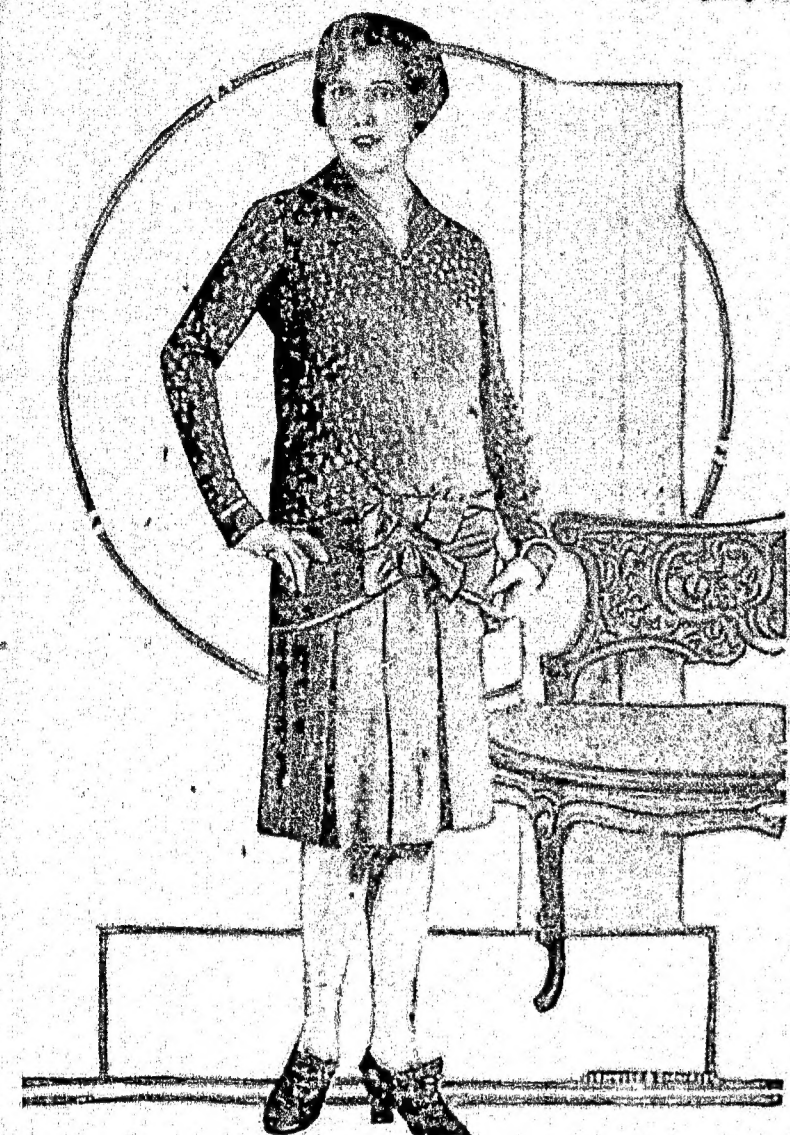
### METALLIC TOUCH IN BLOUSES; GAY FELTS FOR SCHOOL WEAR

EVERYTHING in fashion's realm seems to glitter and scintillate with metallic splendor these days, and the blouse is no exception to the rule. It is the blouse, even if it be for daytime wear, forego at least a touch of metal embroidery. If it be made entirely of cloth of gold or silver.

A metal cloth blouse worn with a velvet skirt is a favorite theme with the stylist. For evening wear the sleeveless type is tres chic. It is an easy matter to make one at home—just two underarm and shoulder seams to sew up. Bind all edges with a bias metal piping or cording. Cut two slots

or midst the tumultuous throng of gridiron fans, bright lined felts are sure to lend color to the scene. True, for a time the fate of the felt hat hung in the balance, but this fleeting hesitation on the part of the mode has given way to a revived enthusiasm for felts even greater, if that be possible, than in the past. There can be no doubt in anyone's mind of the favor accorded the felt hat. For the schoolgirl the felt hat is an absolute essential to youthful and stylish appearance.

In choosing from among the latest felt arrivals young girls are confronted by two outstanding propositions distinctly different yet equally charming.



For Afternoon Occasions.

the low waistline in front and finish with a facing. Through these, drawn and strip of metal cloth for a belt. Fasten with a rhinestone clasp or buckle. Wear a colorful shoulder sash, carry an ostrich fan and presto! she is arrayed befitting any queen of fashion.

Competing for honors with the blouse of cloth of gold or silver, is the all-over embroidered crepe or satin blouse. The white satin blouse is shining when patterned all over with silver thread stitching. Sometimes the pearls, paillettes or rhinestones are interwoven in the design. Which

one—no brim versus the wide brim. Just as everyone was beginning to accept the little saucer-like felt as a matter of course, it comes a type with a definitely wide brim, such as you see at the top of this picture. Just as confidently the piquant blouse here, as it is called, priding itself on its utter plainness appears on the scene, as pictured in all its simplicity to the left. The interesting part of the blouse as shown here is that it is a modified version of the Basque hat made by native French in the Pyrenees mountains from one piece of seamless felt. It surely is proving a



Hats for the Schoolgirl.

It goes to show that elaborateness is the keynote for the blouse for formal dress.

For afternoon occasions the two-piece frock in the picture is very charming. Its medium is plus-colored, drape de chine, with an all-over gold embroidery. The skirt is of the metallic material, minus any metal.

Even the jersey jumper frock does not escape the influence of the metallic theme this season. A recently noted red jersey two-piece dress showed bands of braided gold and orange wool at the throat, wrists and hem.

Another stunning sport model consisted of a valencia blue jumper patterned all over in gold metal thread squares, worked in solid stitch, with a side plaited skirt of the plain blue jersey.

Wherever youth holds forth, at school, on the campus, the links

### THE ENGAGEMENT RING

By W. E. LLOYD

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"AND you start for West Africa tomorrow?" Bransome felt that the question was like an un-written doom. He looked at Mary Starr in the moonlight as they stood outside Colonel Starr's conservatory. Bransome had known Mary for five months. Colonel Starr, in whose regiment he was now a captain, had taken a liking to the young man when they were posted at Malta, and had invited him to his home in England. Now Bransome, with the rank of acting major, was to leave for West Africa to put down the rebellion of the Kuru tribe in the recesses of the forests. And he loved Mary.

But he knew that she was engaged to Lionel Travis, the political agent among the Kuru, who had made his escape to the coast after sanguinary fighting.

Yet they loved, and love was stronger than honor at that moment. They gravitated toward each other, and stood looking at each other, not daring to speak lest they betray their selves.

"If I meet Travis—" began Bransome at length.

"Yes?" Her word was like a caress.

"What shall I tell him?"

Mary took the solitaire from her finger. "Give him this," she said softly.

Bransome, incredulous, clasped her to his arms and their lips met. "You love me, don't you?" he murmured.

"I have loved you since we met. It is wrong, but it is better than a marriage that shall wrong Lionel and myself, too."

Before Bransome departed it was understood that they were engaged. And Lionel Travis' ring reposed in Bransome's pocket to be handed to the agent if they met. Bransome would affect ignorance of the contents of the little box. It was a cruel mission, but there was no way of getting a letter to Travis, who might be in any part of the coast.

Bransome sailed the following day, and fifteen days later arrived with his regiment at the coast town. All the interior was in a ferment. The regiment was sent up hastily to the base, where it halted while the pioneers cut roads through the forest. And it was there that Bransome met Travis.

He was to accompany the column as political delegate to the loyal tribes. The two men met, greeted each other warmly, though Bransome naturally showed something of constraint. Travis laughed in the mess, and they smoked their cigars together afterward. When Travis rose to depart to his quarters Bransome spoke of Mary Starr for the first time.

"She asked me to give you this," he said, handing him the little box containing the ring.

"Thanks," said Travis indifferently, and slipped it into his pocket.

The column started a day or two later, Travis accompanying it. Often the men exchanged words. Bransome would look curiously at Travis, but he could gather nothing from the agent's inscrutable countenance.

There was, however, little time for thinking. On the sixth day the enemy's stronghold was sighted. The messenger who went forward with a summons to surrender was met with defiant shouts from the negroes. Half an hour later the seven-pounders opened fire on the rebel stronghold.

A hail of elephant guns followed, but few of the attacking party were hit. Presently the guns ceased; a breach had been made in the strong walls built of hard-baked loam and almost as resistant as cement and mortar.

The regiment spread out in the Bransome ran before them, waving his sword. "Advance!" he shouted.

Then he saw Travis beside him to his civilian clothes. The agent's white waistcoat made a splendid mark for an enemy. "No back, you fellows!" Bransome shouted.

But Travis had been hit, and Bransome had no time for argument. The whole line followed, with fixed bayonets, roaring behind him. The bullets whizzed among the trees, and cut splinters from the boughs. Shouts of leaves came down.

The yellow, dotted Kuru matted the walls of the beleaguered stronghold. The assaulting party was compelled to form into columns to mount the breach. And now the enemy played its secret resource, nothing less than an old brass ship's gun, which could have done service to the allies, and was none the less effective here. A roaring detonation, and grape shot burst among the British troops. They fell in heaps, cut down by the well-directed charge.

But the gun was of course not a quick-firer, and had to be reloaded. The troops closed up, Bransome, who had by some miracle escaped unscathed, put himself at their head again. "Advance!" he shouted.

And again he was conscious of Travis in his white waistcoat, cool and smiling beside him.

It was a mad rush toward the walls. Just as the foremost man set foot in the breach the cannon roared again.

The files were swept away. And again Bransome found himself unharmed. "Now, boys!" he shouted, amazed to find that he was still alive.

The attacking party, which had recoiled, heaped one man against his neighbor, and the dead all about rushed forward, cheering. Like a cat-act the khaki-clad column swept over the breach, driving the dogged negroes before them, pinioning them with the bayonet. In a moment the fort was carried.

From hut to hut the flying Kuru were pursued. They fell in writhing heaps, their own guns turned against them. For perhaps half an hour the bloody struggle lasted. Then the British were in possession of the village.

Bransome stopped. He had forgotten everything in the excitement of the battle. His sword was bloody, and yet he could not remember having struck down a man. A trickle of blood was running down his face. He jumped from a log in his leg that he had never felt.

He posted his men in various quarters; this done, he remembered Travis.

"Where's Travis?" he demanded of his surviving captain.

The agent could not be found. Yet it was Travis who represented the majesty of the British raj, and it was Travis who must interview the trembling old king now a prisoner in his own hut, guarded by a sullen, defiant chief wife, and a younger one, who held the royal red parasol over him.

Bransome went back, searching among the fallen. Travis was not in the town; he was not anywhere within the fort. Bransome came upon him at last just outside the breach. He had been struck down by a dozen slugs from the brass cannon the second time the weapon was discharged. Travis lay under a pile of dark Kuru, but he was alive. He recognized Bransome.

Bransome halted the stretcher-bearers and had two men place him upon a stretcher and carry him into the town. They brought him to the king's hut, and Travis pronounced sentence. The king was to go into exile to the coast, to spend the last of his days there.

The surgeon came up, looked at the agent and shook his head. "There may be a chance for him," he said. "Get him out of here. Put him in a hut that hasn't been used. There's a small shop everywhere among the Kuru."

Travis did not catch a snail's pace, but it became clear, after a week of delirium, that he was dying. His mind grew clear toward the end. He mentioned to Bransome to open the little satchel he carried with the government papers.

Bransome did so, and found in it the little box containing Mary's ring. He looked at Travis and saw that the agent's eyes were fixed upon it. He put it in Travis' hand.

With fingers that almost failed him Travis slowly pulled off the cover and held up the diamond ring. It was inconspicuous to see the gem sparkling in the dying man's wasted hand. Travis motioned to Bransome to bend down.

"The engagement ring I gave her," he whispered. "She is as true as gold, old man."

"Yes," agreed Bransome.

"We were to have been married when this cursed business was over. Now we shall never marry. I want you to marry her, Bransome. You're about the only man that's fit for her."

Bransome wiped and tried not to show the emotion on his features. But Travis was too far gone to see anything except the face of Mary Starr that haunted before him.

"I wrote to her, telling her how I longed for her in the silence of the bush," Travis whispered. "I said I had looked at her photograph and her eyes were again and again I wanted something else to bring her vividly to my eyes. And she—she sent me this. Nothing could have been a truer pledge of her love. A girl doesn't go to that with her engagement ring."

"No," Bransome agreed.

And the brow of the situation struck into his soul. Travis had lived in the belief that his sweetheart was true to him, and he would do nothing to bring the return of the ring back.

They buried him the following dawn under a cedar of stone. And Bransome, having done his duty to the dead, turned his thoughts to the living. The past seemed obliterated—at least it seemed to be so. He looked in the gem that sparkled in the old man's hand under the damp soil of Africa.

### Muskrat Landlord to Many Wild Creatures

That industrious little architect, the muskrat, it has now been learned, builds not only for himself, but for numerous other inhabitants of the wild places. Of to be exact, he builds a house for himself and the other creatures volunteer to assist him in using it. Observations made at the college of forestry at Syracuse university prove that several kinds of wild ducks and geese and the green heron frequently find a nesting place in muskrat houses. But more surprising is the fact that snapping turtles and painted terrapin nest in these ready-made lodges, laying their eggs there and even retreating to the muskrat burrows for their long winter sleep. The observer also noted the case of water snakes that had moved in with the animals and were using its water-filled plughole as a domicile. The astonishing thing is that the intruders are seldom molested, but appear to live in friendly relations with the owner.

### "DANDELION BUTTER COLOR"

A harmless vegetable butter color used by millions for 50 years. Drug stores and general stores sell bottles of "Dandelion" for 35 cents.—Adv.

### Stamps Record History

Americans have become so accustomed to special postage stamps commemorating historic events and anniversaries that they often overlook the extent to which, all over the world, the postal system is recording history. In this country the next special series will commemorate the Battle of White Plains. Portugal is bringing out a series in honor of the thirtieth anniversary of her liberation from Spanish rule. Bulgaria will commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of her freedom with a new series, and Poland proposes to honor Mme. Curie, the discoverer of radium, with a special stamp. Spain plans to issue stamps commemorating the achievements of its aviators in the air post service, and Canada is to have new portrait stamps to remind its people of some of the great names in the history of the Dominion.

### Advancement in Sicily

The corporation for the technical and economic development of the sulphur industry in Sicily has contracted with the General Electric company of Sicily for the electrification of all services connected with the Sicilian sulphur mines. Energy will be produced by a fuel power plant at Catania, which will transmit it to all the sulphur mining districts over a main line between Catania, Caltanissetta and Campofranco at 40,000 volts and a subsidiary line at 10,000 volts for the Caltanissetta-Sommatino district. The estimated cost is about \$1,250,000, of which the corporation will contribute about \$250,000. About 200 miles of line will be used and the work will be completed within three years.

### Watch Cuticura Improves Your Skin

On rinsing and retiring gently smear the face with Cuticura Ointment. Wash off Ointment in five minutes with Cuticura Soap and hot water. It is wonderful what Cuticura will do for poor complexion, dandruff, itching and red, rough hands.—Advertisement.

### War Babies

"In France," said Lord Beaverbrook at a luncheon in New York, "they used to delight in keeping the children down, but now they are doing everything on earth to raise it up. Because of course, they want plenty of soldiers to fight Germany with in the next war."

### Up-to-Date

"There," said the man who had shaved his opponent, "I guess that took the wind out of his sails."

"The modern," returned his opponent, "You mean let the wind out of his sails?"

### Money-Making Opportunity For Aggressive, Local Man

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Stockings filled with Santa's gifts. Smiling faces. Merry laughter. Haps of fun on this day of days. Of course you'll not forget the meal-dimetre for those happy youngsters. You know—it's Monarch Cocoa.



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**WEST BETHEL**  
Marion Jordan has employment at S. S. Greenleaf's, Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bennett and daughter spent the week end in Auburn, enroute thinking to have from Maine earnings for the holiday season.

## STATE PUBLICITY AGENCIES IN NEW ENGLAND

The New England Council has received so many requests for information as to the exact nature of legislation enacted in three New England states authorizing publicity activities under state auspices, that the complete texts of the statutes in force in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont are given below for the information of all who may be interested.

It should be noted that definite movements are under way in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut that have for their objective the inauguration of similar activities in those states, and there is every reason to expect that bills to such effect will be before the legislatures of those states this winter.

**MAINE**  
"Towns may raise money to advertise the State."

"Any city or town may appropriate any sum, not exceeding one mill on a dollar, based on the valuation of the preceding year, to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the state or such city or town."

This law was passed in 1925 amending an Act of 1917 which read practically the same except that it did not cover state advertising.

"Resources of the State, to provide for compiling and publishing data. RE- SOLVED: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars for the fiscal year from July one, nineteen hundred twenty-five, to June thirty, nineteen hundred twenty-six, and the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars for the fiscal year from July one, nineteen hundred twenty-six, to June thirty, nineteen hundred twenty-seven, for the purpose of compiling and publishing data regarding the agricultural, industrial and recreational resources of the state of Maine for general distribution to all persons interested in the State of Maine; said sums to be expended under the direction of the governor and council."

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
AN ACT authorizing the appointment of a board of publicity and appropriating money therefor.

**SECTION 1.** The governor is hereby authorized to appoint, with the advice and consent of the council, a board of three members who shall serve as a board of publicity. Said board shall have authority to cooperate with any persons or organizations of corporations interested, for the purpose of devising means to advertise the attractions and resources of the state. Members of the board shall serve without pay, and their term of office shall be three years from time of appointment and until their successors are appointed and qualified.

**SECTION 2.** The sum of twenty-five thousand dollars shall be appropriated annually for the years 1925 and 1926 to be expended with the approval of the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, under the direction of the board of publicity, and the governor is hereby authorized to draw the warrant for said sums out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

**SECTION 3.** All moneys paid out of the treasury in pursuance of this act are hereby repaid, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved April 23, 1925.  
**VERMONT**  
No. 14. An Act to Amend Section 273 of the General Laws, relating to the Publicity Department.

(H. 416)  
It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

**SECTION 1.** Section 273 of the General Laws is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

**SECTION 273.** Publicity department; expenditure of funds. The sum annual, available for the purpose of maintaining a publicity department to cooperate with the efforts of the secretary of state shall be expended in such manner as may be determined by said secretary, with the approval of the governor, and shall result in promoting the development of the state through an appropriate presentation of the resources and opportunities offered within the state, as the collection, preparation, publication and distribution of information and statistics respecting its natural, agricultural and industrial advantages. The auditor of accounts shall have warrants in payment of expenses incurred under the provisions of this section when the amounts thereof have been approved by said secretary, but all accounts for printing and advertising shall also be approved by the governor against before said auditor shall issue any warrants in payment thereof.

Approved April 3, 1921.

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**CARL L. KROWN, BETHEL.**

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**SKILLINGTON**  
Mrs. Grace Foley left Sunday to spend Christmas with Mr. James Foley and family at Stillwater, Minn., and is then to continue on to Los Angeles where she is to remain during the winter months.

Julius Robinson is in Boston for a few days.

Laurus McCullister and family were at Rumford Saturday.

Prof. and Mrs. Allen Richardson were recent guests of his mother, Mrs. A. B. Richardson, for a few days.

Mrs. Alice M. Skillings is in Boston for a short time.

Albert E. Planders was at Waterville Sunday.

Again the Maine Central Railroad has offered \$200 for prizes in the awarding of the state contest of boys' and girls' clubs scheduled to be held at the University of Maine, December 30, 31 and January 1. These prizes are to be awarded only to those boys and girls who are in attendance at the contest.

The railroad through its industrial agent, Mr. W. G. Hinton, has shown much interest in boys' and girls' club work in the state. They have offered prizes for every state contest which has thus far been held, the first one dating back to December, 1914. It is hoped that Mr. Hinton will be present to award the prizes personally.

Plans for the contest are progressing satisfactorily. All the records and stories of the 129 county champions have been secured and exhibits are due at the College of Agriculture, December 13.

Legislators have been extended to every county champion in the senior class and to every local leader and assistant in the state. Many replies are coming event would be even greater.

**RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT**  
Whereas, God, in His infinite wisdom, has again entered another link from our fraternal order and called to another and better world our beloved brother Fred Stephens;

Resolved, that Bear River Grange has at a brother whose loyalty for this great order cannot be questioned and whose we sorrow for our loss we must be cheered by the thought that what is our loss is his great gain.

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family as a token of love and respect, that they be spread upon our records, a copy sent to the Oxford County Citizen for publication, and that our Chapter be draped in mourning for thirty days.

L. E. WIGGITT,  
LENA STRAWN,  
DUNCAN McPHERSON,  
Dec. 18, 1926.

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## MAINE WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Rockland—Lawrence, Portland. Cement Company purchases plant of New England Cement & Lime Company here, and will double capacity.

Rockland—New ice-breaking ship "Kickapoo" to break ice along Maine coast this winter.

Bluehill Falls—Work on new Falls bridge nearing completion.

North Orneville—Cutting pulpwood under way in this vicinity.

Augusta—\$400,000 to be appropriated for construction of new Shawhegan State Reformatory for Women.

Farmington—State Chamber of Commerce to hold annual meeting here.

Buolthay Harbor—Work started on Sprucewood Lodge Annex of 40 rooms.

Livermore Falls—Paper mill here employing over 1,000 persons, and running 24 hours a day.

Rockland—Chandler & Rockland Water Company laying 1,800 feet of 9-inch main, to plant of New England Portland Cement Company.

Old Town—Bangor Railway & Electric Company repairing its road through this city.

Old Town—Improvements being made to plant of Old Town Woolen Company.

Brighton—New Silles-Pittman block nearing completion.

Portland—Bradstreet's Adjustment Service with capital of \$10,000, chartered.

Biddeford—Work started on new machine shop building of Bishop & Martel Company.

Augusta—Eagle Airship Company, with capital of \$200,000, chartered.

Gardiner—Work progressing rapidly, on E. A. Wagner shoe factory in this city.

Augusta—Repairs being made to Hotel North.

Lubec—Operations resumed at Yemebrocks lead mines here.

Freeport—New machinery being installed at Paul Richards Shoe Company's factory.

Portland—New post office station opens at West End of city, at 735 Congress Street.

Belfast—New Radio Corporation of America's building here, completed.

Portland—Grand Trunk Railroad to install new warm car freight service, from Portland to Island Pond, Vermont.

Portland—DuPont and Johnson Company, manufacturers of dental appliances, chartered.

Fort Fairfield—\$20,000 new Congressional Parish House to be built here.

Bowdoinham—Mills mill here being repaired.

Dover-Foxcroft—New State road here being graveled.

Moscow—New fire engine to be purchased for this town.

Rockland—Highway expenditures in this town during past year, amounted to \$28,352.

Belfast—Belfast & Moosehead Lake Railroad purchases snowplow, to keep tracks clear during winter.

Bangor—Two new Cloverdale stores opened in this city.

Canaan—Walsh, Knox and Laroche Counties Good Roads Association organized here recently.

Canaan—Canaan Knights of Pythias moves to new quarters in Hodgeman building.

Augusta—\$205,000 addition to be built to Augusta State Hospital.

Rockland—Several streets of city being paved and improved.

Rockport—Fenwick Lumber Company moves its mill to new lot purchased from Will Richards.

North Haven—Poles have been cut for extension of electric light wires out of village.

Fort Fairfield—Repairs being made to Premier Water Company's works here.

While about two-thirds of the industries of our country, from actual reports by payrolls, have increased wages of employees during the past year, there are further declines recorded in retail food prices.

**Job Printing**  
We are equipped to handle any kind of Job Printing, and when it comes to Service, we can only refer you to our customers or ask that you give us a trial.

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ISAIAH 9: 7

Mr. and Mrs. Chester B. Oliver

wish you a happy Christmas.

## VOLUME 2

## BETHEL

Mr. Thomas home in town

Miss Maude Castine Norms

Miss Betty few days received

Miss Margaret home over the

Miss Elda is the guest Bartlett.

Mrs. Jennie J. Littlehals was last week.

Mrs. Oscar D. of Augusta was Harriet Twadd

Mr. L. W. H. was in Norway funeral of A. C.

Mr. C. L. D. of his daughter and family in V.

Mr. and Mrs. Portland were family, Saturday

Mr. Francis J. I. was in town funeral of his m

Mr. and Mrs. of West Paris of his parents, M

Mrs. Ella M. Portsmouth, N. H. a few weeks with Paul Badger.

On account of lag out of town the Boy Scouts Monday night at

Mr. Luther M. and Mrs. Edith entering Massac College the first

Mrs. Luther Franklin Keniston brook are spending more camp at H

Mrs. L. W. H. from Norway, when some time, called and death of her

The W. R. C. held last Thursday Christmas bazaar which refreshment social time enjoyed

Mrs. Fred Wheel Mr. Tasson Phillips Paris where Mr. W. on Friday. Mr. V. father at the County

Friends of Mrs. to pleased to hear she to be out again been confined to bed was injured in an in the summer.

Maynard White, a has been shifted by on the sea has a hand almost ordinary persons. It for him to catch a p where is taken from and will be of interest many friends in town as of Mr. and Mrs. train. He is a student, High School.

The first meeting the season occurred between when Stanley of Mr. and Mrs. Elin shaken up when he to avoid being hit driven by J. L. Cars with two or three sliding down the three walk and making a sl Street. Mr. Carver down Main Street in to as the road was all the children sliding, young Allen was gl Street Carver kept instead of crossing turned he sled up M playing the brakes c the ways and broke vied toward the rear at the same time three He was badly shaken but not seriously. N upon Carver.